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- 1. The reply filed on 16 August 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): it appears that Applicants made a *bona fide* attempt to elect a species based on the requirement mailed 21 March 2006; however, Applicants elected SEQ ID NO: 2, which is a native sequence and not a modified Cry protein. Although Applicants indicated that amino acid residue 164 could be modified from arginine to be phenylalanine, leucine or glutamic acid, this is not an appropriate election for examination purposes or for proper response. The election requirement is for an election of a **specific** modified Cry protein, and not for a native Cry protein suggesting where one modification could be. The election must be a species with the modification in place and not a native sequence with an option of alternatives. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
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